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B.2.a (Mr. Corin). *En 30/5*

Further to our conversations regarding van KOUTRIK, we should be very grateful if you would instigate further enquiries through the Dutch in order to find out KOUTRIK's present whereabouts.

B.1a/Warrec.
29.5.46.

J.P.
Joan Paine.

60.

Note.

Reference minute 59, I have spoken to [redacted] of the Dutch Security Service here and he has promised to have further enquiries made in Holland.

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B.2.a.
31.5.46.

E.J. Corin
for E.J. Corin.

5.6.46. B1A/WAREC report re van KOUTRIK.

60b.

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Note: Dutch Security have so far received no result from their enquiries re van KOUTRIK's whereabouts.

B2a
3.7.46

E.J. Corin

62.

3.7.46. To S.B. re van KOUTRIK Folkert Arie.

62a.

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8.7.46. From S.B. enclosing Registration Card re van KOUTRIK.

63a.

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12.7.46. To S.I.S. re van KOUTRIK.

64a.

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13.7.46. To S.B. returning registration certificate re van KOUTRIK.

65a.

66.

W. 18/1
B.1.a. Miss Payne.

Dutch Security here informed me today that they have an unofficial report that van KOUTRIK has been arrested in Holland for espionage.

They are asking for confirmation of this.

D.M. Quin.

D.M. Quin.

B.2.a.
15.7.46.

67.

1.8.46 From Dutch Security concerning van KOUTRIK

67a

68.

*Presumably
S.I.S. will have the
matter
E.H. 2/8*

Please see 67a, concerning van KOUTRIK's arrest.

B.1.a/Warrec
2.8.46*W.*
Joan Paine.

69.

B.2.a Mrs. Quin.

As spoken. Perhaps you will now write to Mr. Philby.

B.1.a/Warrec
6.8.46

W.
Joan Paine.

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8.8.46. To S.I.S. re van KOUTRIK.

70a.

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11.9.46 Secret Cross Reference re Van KOUTRIK

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11.9.46 From S.I.S. replying to 70a
12.10.48 From B.A.O.R.1 re KOUTRIK.
15.10.48 To B.A.O.R. re KOUTRIK

72a
72b
72b

B.1.d. Mrs. Quin.

73.

The attached papers concern the enquiry about which Major Strong and I spoke to you recently. Would you kindly make the necessary enquiries and advise us how we should reply to BAOR.

C.1.b.
15 Oct 48



B.1. Mr. Mitchell.

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Please see the attached vetting enquiry from B.A.O.R. for 5 P.C.L.U, Hook of Holland (a designation unrecognised by C.1).

Although van KOUTRIK was employed by us from the end of 1940 (see 6a) until 22.10.41, he was subsequently employed by S.I.S. as an examiner at R.V.P.S. from January 1941 (22a) until some time later the same year (45a), and the most interesting period of his career would seem to be that spent in P.C.O's office at The Hague before, and during the early months of, the war (60b). In the light of our records, van KOUTRIK's letter may be described as the truth but not the whole truth.

As you will see from Colonel Vivian's letter at PF.66950, serial 4a, S.I.S. were handling this case with the Dutch in September 1946 and we have no later information about it. It seems, therefore, that S.I.S. are the only people who can give us the answer for B.A.O.R. and I attach a draft letter for your approval or amendment.

B.1.D
21.10.48

D.M. Quin
D.M. Quin.

B.1.D/D.M.Q.

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I agree the draft, as slightly amended. Would you please have typed copies or photostats taken of van K's statement and the two references, since SIS will undoubtedly want to keep copies?

76.

22.10.48 To Colonel Vivian, S.I.S. re KOUTRIK

76a

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3.11.48 From S.I.S re Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK

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9.11.48 To B.A.O.R. re F.A. van KOUTRIK.

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As requested I am returning to you for filing all the papers about Van KOWRIK, including my reply to B.A.O.2

1. O. R.

 G. R. Lee

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329.

1.3.49. From G (Intelligence) Headquarters, British Army of the Rhine, B.A.O.R.L.
re VAN KOUTRIK.

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SECRETC.1.B Mr. Lee *RL*

I have now received a reply from S.I.S. regarding Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK. They agree with my view that he is most unsuitable for employment in any capacity by any British organisation.

It is known beyond all reasonable doubt that whilst employed by S.I.S. van KOUTRIK acted as a Double Agent on behalf of the German Intelligence Service from the end of October 1938 to the date of his evacuation from Holland in May 1940. After his arrival in this country he proved thoroughly unsatisfactory when in British service and disloyal to the Dutch Government in the U.K. when employed by them.

His release after a period of detention by the Dutch Authorities in Holland was entirely due to the fact that the Dutch found it impossible to bring him to court on the evidence in their possession. This was, no doubt, due to two factors: for reasons of Service susceptibilities the British did not supply the Dutch Authorities with the complete evidence at their disposal and secondly, it might have been impossible in law to prosecute an agent of the British Intelligence Service for treachery to the latter on Dutch soil especially as the actions took place while Holland was still nominally neutral.

S.I.S.'s final paragraph reads:

"The upshot of all this is that KOUTRIK's statement that his work P.T.O.

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"before and during the war was conscientiously against the enemy"
is a piece of brazen effrontery and that it would be utterly grotesque
if he were ever employed in any capacity by any British concern,
governmental or private.

The man has blood on his hands."

When you have replied to B.A.O.R. would you please let
me have all the papers back for filing?

B.1.D
5.11.48

D.M. Quin
D.M. Quin.



Photographs of Folkert Arie van
KOUTRIK.

82a

FROM: Capt S. MACPHERSON.

SECRET & PERSONAL.

TEL: Rhine Army 2209

G (Intelligence),
Headquarters,
British Army of the Rhine,
B.A.O.R. 1.

BAOR/1122/G/Int.

1 March, 1949.

Dear *Mr. Lee,*

F.A. van KOUTRIK

Reference your PF.603,328/G.1.b. of
23 Feb 49.

In view of your PF.603,328/G.1.b. of
9 Nov 48, 5 P.C.L.U. have been advised through
415 Field Security Section that the above-named
person should NOT be given employment.

Yours *Sincerely*
S. Macpherson

G.R. LEE Esq.,
Box No 500,
Parliament Street B.O.,
LONDON, S.W.11.

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PF. 605,328/C. 1. b.

23rd February 1949

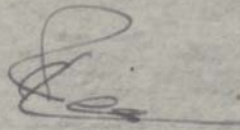
Dear Wilkinson,

F. A. van KOUTRIK

Please refer to your letter to us of the 7th October 1948 (ref: HAOB/1122/C/Int) concerning the above named and to my reply dated 9th November 1948.

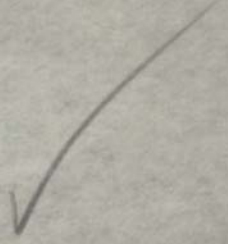
Would you very kindly let me know what decision was arrived at in this case.

Yours sincerely,



C. R. Lee.

Major D. A. C. Wilkinson,
G. S. C. II(b),
Headquarters,
B. A. C. R.



EXTRACT.

Extract for File No.: FF. 603328/v. Name: van KOUTRIK.
Original in File No.: FF. 113,398 Serial: 74a Receipt Date: 19.1.49.
Original from: Dutch Security. Under Ref.: Dated: 17.1.49.
Extracted on: 28.2.49. by: A.L. Section: R.

Extract from letter from [redacted] Netherlands
Ambassador. re the deportation of Canadian citizen Paul E. Roberts
to Canada. Mentioning van KOUTRIK.

.....
You may recall that this man was one of the associates of
A.F. van Koutrik, who prior to the occupation of the Netherlands
was an agent of the German Intelligence.
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P.F. 603,328/C. 1. b.

9th November 1948

Dear Major Wilkinson,

P. A. van KOUTRIK

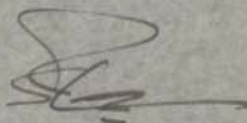
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Please refer to your letter BAGR/1122/C/Int of the 7th October 1948 concerning the above named.

We hold considerable records of this man. He proved thoroughly unsatisfactory when in British service and disloyal to the Dutch Government in the U.K. when employed by them.

In all the circumstances we must advise against his employment.

Yours sincerely,



Major D. A. C. Wilkinson,
G. B. O. II(b),
Headquarters,
B. A. O. R.

Seen by Major Stone.

Ampr

22/12/48
10-11-48

Secret.

In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

dated 2.11.48.

My dear Graham,

76a
Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK.

ENCL

RR

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TO

PF 603,328

Reference your FF.603328/Y/B.L.D/Q dated "October, 1948" (received 26th October, 1948) about F.A. van KOUTRIK: we have no information about van KOUTRIK later than the date of my letter quoted by you.

covering:

- (a) Names of Agents working for the British I.S.
- (b) Names of Agents known by the British to be working for the Germans.
- (c) Names of D.A.'s.
- (d) Diary of events, such as our representative's enquiries into leakages from H.M. Embassy, The Hague; Ustinov's visit as a result of the Venlo incident etc.

His history in the U.K. after evacuation from Holland is well known to M.I.5. He proved thoroughly unsatisfactory when in your service and disloyal to the Dutch Government in exile, when engaged with them.

He was released after a period of detention by the Dutch authorities after returning to Holland after its liberation merely because the Dutch found it impossible on the existing evidence to bring him to court. This was no doubt due to two factors-(a) for obvious reasons touching Service susceptibilities we did not furnish the Dutch authorities with the complete evidence at our disposal;

H.O.16./11.46.

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/ (b).

(b) it might have been impossible in law to prosecute an agent of the British I.S. for treachery to the latter on Dutch soil especially prior to Holland becoming a belligerent. It must be remembered that during the whole period of KOUTRIK's betrayal of S.I.S. to the Germans, Holland was nominally neutral.

The upshot of all this is that KOUTRIK's statement that his work "before and during the war was conscientiously against the enemy" is a piece of brazen effrontery and that it would be utterly grotesque if he were ever employed in any capacity by any British concern, governmental or private.

The man has blood on his hands.

3 mrs ear

f. binan.

G.R. Mitchell, Esq.,
M. I. 5. .

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76a

22nd. October, 1948.

Ref: PF.603328/Y/B.1.D/Q

ENCLOSURES

Dear Vivian,

Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK 72~

Please refer to your letter dated 11.9.46 to Dick White, reference [redacted] (Our last reference PF.603328/Y/B.2.A/Q of 8.8.46). 70~

This Dutchman has applied for employment with 5 P.C.L.U at the Hook of Holland and B.A.O.R. have asked for confirmation of his past record as set out in his letter, copy of which is attached together with copies of two testimonials. No appointment has yet been made.

We have no information in our records later than your letter quoted above, and, in view of van KOUTRIK's history, I should be grateful if you would let me know what reply you consider should be sent to B.A.O.R.

We have in the meanwhile acknowledged the enquiry and asked that no action shall be taken until we write again.

Yours sincerely,

Colonel V. Vivian, C.M.G., C.B.E.,
S.I.S.

G.R. Mitchell.

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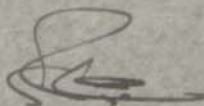
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15th October 1948

Major D. A. C. Wilkinson,
G. S. O. II(b),
Headquarters,
B. A. O. R.

P. A. van KOUTRIK 72b

1. Please refer to your BAOR/1122/G/Int of the 7th October 1948.
2. It will be necessary for us to make some further enquiries about this individual; meanwhile we should be glad if you would take no action pending our further advice.



G. R. Lee.

19/10/48
29-10-48

SUBJECT: Employment of Aliens

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12 OCT 1948

TO C.B. Direct

REF PF-603,324

BAOR/1122/G/Int.

7 Oct 48

The Under Secretary of State,
The War Office, (M.I.5),
LONDON S.W.1.

Pioneer Civil Labour Unit.
see LV
F.A. van KOUTRIK

1. The above-named Dutch national has applied for employment
W.H.S. 5 P.C.L.U. at the HOCK of HOLLAND.
2. In view of statements made in the enclosed papers (copies
of KOUTRIK's application and two testimonials), it is requested that
confirmation be given of his past record.
3. KOUTRIK has not yet been given employment.

Ext: 2209
Headquarters,
British Army of the Rhine,
BAOR 1.

Stametsius
Mari
(D.A.C. WILKINSON),
Lieutenant General,
General Officer Commanding in Chief.

WE.

19/10/48
29-10-48

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Dear Sir,

I hasten to offer my services for one of the clerical vacancies at your camp, of which I was informed by Mr. Brand of the Rotterdam Labour exchange. I am of Dutch nationality 36 years old, married and have 3 children. I was educated at the "Lagere School" and 4 years "H.B.S.", after which I was employed as a clerk at a forwarding-office for 3 years, furthermore as the assistant-chief-controller at Wm. H. Muller & Co., shipbrokers, Rotterdam for 2½ years.

In 1938 I was engaged by [redacted] of the British Passport Contr. Office at The Hague, and in this position I worked for the British Counter Espionage in Holland. On the day of the invasion in May 1940, I received instructions to sail for England, with my family and there I continued to work for the British War Office (M.I. 5, Scotland-Yard, SB, MI 6.).

While I was working at the War Office, the head of my section was Mr. F.C.B. Wood, of Charnwood, Chislehurst, Kent.

As reference I may also mention the Rev. O.R. acworth of 206 Felixtoure Road, Ipswich, with whom I worked for a considerable time during this period. In 1943 I had to join the Royal Netherlands Navy (Sub-Marine Service at Dundee, Scotland).

Back in Holland in September 1945, I was given a position in the organisation of the Dutch Naval Stores at Rotterdam as a C.P.O. (Special Duty) and as the head of the Store administration as well as head of the Civil Store personnel (copy of testimonial I enclose).

My position here terminated as the result of my arrest by the Dutch authorities, suspected of having for the German Counter Intelligence before the war. Two years of investigation resulted in my sudden release now two months ago, without having been accused or having been brought to Court, without a chance even of defending myself. For details about this case I may refer to Mr. L.A.J.M. Jonkergouw of 204 Laan v. N.O. Einde at Voorburg, my lawyer.

I also enclose a copy of a letter from the above mentioned Rev. OR Acworth, which I received during my time of internment.

If the fact that I was interned by the Dutch Authorities and unjustified named a "political delinquent" should be taken to militate against my application for the vacant post, I would ask you to appreciate that my work before and during the war, was conscientiously against the enemy and that I have been a victim of unfortunate circumstances.

Meanwhile I trust you will be good enough to extend to me the favour of an interview.

Yours faithfully (was signed) F.A. van Koutrik.

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Centrale Magazijnen der Kononklijke Marine
ROTTERDAM.

29 Jini 1948.

Geruigsschrift

Ondergetekende, Officier MSD I, Hoofd der Centrale Magazijnen, Kononklijke Marine, te Rotterdam. verklaart dat:-

Folkert Arie van Koutrik,
geboren 5 Augustus 1912
adres Reineveld 48 Rotterdam-Z

van 5 Sept 45 tot 1 Mei 46 als korparaal en van 1 Mei tot 18 Juni 46 als majoor onder zijn bevelen heeft gediend bij de Centrale Magazijnen der Kononklijke Marine te Rotterdam.

De heer van Koutrik heeft gedurende deze periode een verantwoordelijke positie bekleed, bij de leiding en organisatie tijdens de opzet dezer magazijnen. Hij toonde bekendheid te bezitten met de havens en de bedrijven van Rotterdam alsmede met de leidende personen daarvan. Hij was o.m. belast met de leiding van de goederenvoorraad en administratie volgens het Kardex systeem en trad op als tijdelijk personeelchef van het burgerpersoneel.

Bovengenoemde werkzaamheden zijn door Majoor van Koutrik tot volle tevredenheid van ondergetekende verricht.

Het hoofd der Centr. Mag. Kon Marine
Officier MSD I Klasse
(w.g.) J. Hajenius.

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206 Felixtour Road,
Ipswich, Suffolk.

10 Sept 46.

I worked with F.A. van Koutrik for a considerable time, during the war, and have every reason to believe that his work was both loyally and conscientiously directed towards the overthrow of the common enemy of Holland and England. If I can give him any assistance by answering enquiries, in his present unhappy position, I shall be glad to do so.

W.S.

O.R. Acworth

Rev.

To whomsoever it may concern.

Note:- Present address - Vicarage, Chobham, Surrey.

Secret.

In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

12 SEP 1946

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~~50~~
of 11.9.46.

Dear Mr. Quin,

Handwritten: 2nd, PF 1950, See Sec X-ny 271A
H a F.A. van KOUTRIK. -70a

In reply to your PF.603,328/Y/B2a/Q
of 8th August, please refer to a letter of
today's date written by Colonel Vivian to
Brigadier White.

Yours sincerely,

H.A.R. Philby

H.A.R. Philby.

D.M. Quin Esq.,
M. I. 5.

Handwritten: 2/36/12

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Name VAN KOUTRIK

Ref. No. PF 603328/Y

Date 11.9.46

Further information held by B.I.D.

Ref. of Section holding information.....

PF 66950/Y 4a

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Your ref: [] of 5.1.46.
Our ref: PP 603,328/Y/B2a/C.

8th August 1946.

Dear Mr. Philby,

Folkert Arie van KOUTREK

Please refer to previous correspondence
ending with our letter of 12.7.46 to Miss de Fossard.

We have now learned from Dutch Security here
that van KOUTREK is under arrest in Holland, strongly
suspected of having worked for the German Espionage Service
before the war, and having thus caused the loss of several
Dutch lives.

Our contact is asking for any information
on KOUTREK's past activities which we can give him, and
before replying I should be glad of your comments.

Yours sincerely,

D.M. Quin

D.M. Quin.

H.A.R. Philby, Esq.,
S.I.S.

DM/TL

H/B.2a.
8.8.46.

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(Netherlands Ministry of Justice
P.B. Department)

Tel.: SLOane 0411

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82, EATON SQUARE,
LONDON, S.W.1.

1 August, 1946.

Our ref: No. 9357/1366/P. 16

Captain E.J. CORIN,
LONDON, S.W.1.

Connect via P.B. (P.B. head)
1/8

Dear Corin, *Amo*
2/6

In reply to your enquiry over
the telephone as to the present whereabouts
of Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK.

I have now learned officially
that van KOUTRIK is under arrest in Holland
strongly suspected of having worked for the
German Espionage Service before the war,
which led to the loss of several Dutchmen's
lives.

If your service has any infor-
mation on KOUTRIK's past activities, perhaps
you would kindly let me know.

Yours sincerely,

FS/

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13th July 1946.

Our ref: PF 603,328/Y/B2a/Q.

The Deputy Commander,
Special Branch.

Folkert Arie van KOUWERIK.

Thank you for the loan of the original
registration certificate of the above-named Dutchman,
which I am now returning to you.

[Handwritten signature]

f Sir Percy Sillitoe.

DMV/TH. 1 enclosure.

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13.7.46.
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PF.603,328/Y/B.1.a/JP

12th July, 1946.

R5/Wardocs, Broadway.

With reference to our telephone conversation regarding VAN KOUTRIK, I now enclose as requested 5 copies of his photograph obtained from his Aliens Registration Certificate (issued 1940).

JP
Joan Paine.

JP/PF

Enc: 5 photos

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M.I.5 (thro' Special Branch)

Registration Card attached, as requested.

W. C. C. C.

A.R.O.1.

5.7.46.

Officer in Charge.

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Telephone Nos.
REGENT 6050.
WHITEHALL 6789.

BOX No. 500,
PARLIAMENT STREET B.O.,
LONDON, S.W.1.

3rd July 1946.

Our ref: PF 603,328/Y/B2a.

The Deputy Commander,
Special Branch.

Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK.
Born 5.8.1912 at Rotterdam.
Regn. Card No. 944230/EZ369459
issued M.P.D. in 1940.

I should be grateful if you could let me have a sight of the original registration certificate of the above-named Dutchman, who was exempted from registration in January 1941 and subsequently joined the Royal Netherlands Navy in the U.K.

J. M. Quinn

for Sir Percy Sillitoe.

A.R.O.:
Referenced please

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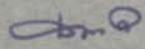
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for Sir Percy Sillitoe.

DMQ/TH.

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~~Br A~~

Could you please file
this in KOUTRIK'S
Pr. which is at
present with Mr. Corin

Br A

Joan Laurie

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PROCEE "JAMES-BOHE".

In the German Abwehrdienst an organisation was created which bore the description "Counter-Espionage". Under the heading of Counter-Espionage the following must be understood: the misleading of one's opponent with information in which he has expressed an interest. In this connection the questionnaires which the enemy's general staff gave their agents were learned from trials of various German agents, in which these agents described their missions.

(Germany)

In Germany it gradually became clear that the Wehrmacht was being spied upon by agents of practically all countries. The springboard for the whole Intelligence Service of our opponent was the Netherlands. This had already been the case in the first World War, and it continued in the interim from 1918 onwards until the invasion of the Low Countries by German troops.

It must be mentioned here that the Netherlands Intelligence Service never employed agents collecting information for their Government.

Of particular importance and intensity was the work of the English Intelligence Service in The Hague, its headquarters being at the Passport Control Office. The following were known as heads of the office:

Stevens.

A special outpost of the English Intelligence Service in The Hague was VRINTEN who lately lived in Rotterdam.

When the danger of VRINTEN was recognised as becoming more and more threatening to the German Intelligence Service, the order was given to proceed with all means against VRINTEN, to supply him with misleading, forged and falsified material, and thus bring VRINTEN's sub-agents to light so that action could be taken against them should they ever cross the German frontier.

The order for this action was given to the following Abwehrstellen:

- 1) Abwehr Abteilung IIIF
- 2) Abwehrstelle Munster IIIF
- 3) Abwehrstelle Hamburg IIIF
- 4) Abwehrstelle Wilhelmshaven IIIF.

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This work against the Netherlands was directed from these Stellen, but other Abwehrstelle also were active in penetrating the area of the Netherlands, but under the condition that they had to report all their contacts to the Abwehr, which for its part passed the information on to the Stellen listed under 1 to 4 above. Thus was assured a closely knit plan of campaign, conducted by the Central Stelle, and this led finally to very considerable successes.

In the offensive against VRINTEN it was naturally impossible to avoid also conducting an offensive against the Passport Control Office itself. In fact a German V-Man named Friedrich GENTER (living until recently in Hamburg as Strohdach) insinuated himself with great success into STEVEN's office.

The success of this work was thanks to the P.C.O. employee HOOVER who turned traitor to the English Intelligence Service, and in particular to his own office, namely the P.C.O. in The Hague. HOOVER had met representatives of Art Hamburg in South Germany where, in return for payment, he handed over files which he had removed from the P.C.O. These files contained agents' reports and accounts of the payment of these agents. The papers composed a fairly large volume. They were pencil notes representing the assessment of the chief official of the P.C.O. Apart from these papers HOOVER delivered during his period of activity other reports which I personally can no longer remember; I would not like to put anything incorrect into this report.

A further role was played by TAYLOR. TAYLOR and HOOVER belong together. HOOVER was also in Berlin, but I am not sure whether he was at that time in the company of TAYLOR. However, a further meeting took place in Switzerland.

were representatives of the Abwehr met both KOUTER and TAYLOR. The information which was supplied at this meeting was well paid for by the Germans. However, it should be remarked here that the money originated from the English Intelligence Service, for the English Service paid very highly for the reports brought by KOUTER, so that as a result of Hamburg always had a balance in hand, from which KOUTER received his own high wages.

Further, a man named [] was recruited. He must have occupied a peculiar position in Passport Control Office. He had a psychological weakness which was exploited. [] worked for us so long, as was possible. Through some accident which we have never discovered to this day, he was sacked by the P.C.O. After that he spent a great deal of his time in the Horse Bar in The Hague and here he was one day beaten up by members of the P.C.O. This accident was a signal to the Abwehr to exfiltrate [] to Germany. In view of his intimate knowledge of past events, he was then employed in the German Foreign Office.

Now for VRINTEN. VRINTEN was the most unfortunate man whom P.C.O. ever employed. As is known, he was a former Dutch Customs official who was dismissed from this work for some reason or other. However, even during the first World War he was employed on some sort of Counter-Espionage job by the Government and in this capacity had an extensive knowledge of people engaged in espionage at the time.

VRINTEN possessed two thick volumes in which were recorded the espionage agents of all countries, including Germany, England, Russia, Italy, France, as well as the agents of lesser countries. Whether VRINTEN ever misused his knowledge of these names was never discovered. At the time in question he was collaborating with one ZAU who is still living in Rotterdam and who might be described as the foster-father of KOUTER. KOUTER's mother lived with ZAU, at any rate that was the case until about two years ago.

Through ZAU, KOUTER came into contact with VRINTEN.

KOUTER was used by VRINTEN rather as a scout or investigator. Like VRINTEN, he lived in Rotterdam and he had a German wife. KOUTER was at home in all the dives on the Schiedamschedijk, was fond of women, and spent an amount of money that was far in excess of the payment which he received from VRINTEN.

In Wassenaar, at Bloemkampen 36, lived an ostensible Canadian named ROBERTS. ROBERTS had in fact come from Canada, possessed a Canadian passport and was registered as a Canadian with the Aliens Office in Wassenaar. According to his own account, ROBERTS possessed a large fortune and to all outward appearances he created the impression of a very rich man. ROBERTS was very garrulous, spoke perfect German, and had a woman with him who came from Berlin; and it was through his garrulosity and ostentation that he originally attracted attention. VRINTEN, who had his contacts everywhere, sent a German agent in ROBERTS and entrusted KOUTER with keeping ROBERTS and his activities under constant observation. The afore-going took place in about October 1933.

At this time KOUTER appeared, in an absolutely provocative manner, perpetually in front of ROBERTS' house or in the immediate neighbourhood of the house. It was obvious that observation was taking place, and it was also clear that this observation was not being carried out by representatives of the Dutch police as it was done in such an inept, childish and challenging manner.

It was therefore, decided to confront the watcher and to ask him what he was doing. For this purpose the former Dutch police official Claas HOOGEVEEN was brought in, who at that time was living in The Hague at Laan van Nieuw Cost Inde.

On being questioned, KOUTER immediately explained and without hesitation volunteered that he had been employed to watch ROBERTS by SWART (SWART was VRINTEN) whom HOOGEVEEN already knew. However, he, KOUTER, would not carry out this observation if he were paid a sufficient sum of money. HOOGEVEEN then bargained for a while with KOUTER in the street, and himself became rather suspicious of KOUTER. KOUTER immediately offered HOOGEVEEN his services for the Germans, already knowing from VRINTEN that HOOGEVEEN was in German employ.

Next HOOGEVEEN was directed to ask KOUTER to supply reports, telling

that he would be remunerated according to the value of these reports. The first rendezvous took place in a little cafe on the viaduct in The Hague at the Wassenaar ferik. The success of this was quite staggering. It was quite clear that the Abwehrdienst had never before been so well supplied with names of a foreign Intelligence Service as through KOUTRIK. The following is a resume of the most important cases:

1) The German Intelligence Service had been approached by an English Artillery officer named Burton KELLY who had delivered most valuable material on English armaments and on the subject of English arsenals. The rendezvous in this case was Holland, where KELLY met a representative of the G.I.S. This representative was Dr. BLOCH. Later there was a meeting in Berlin where BLOCH and KELLY met in the Hotel Stadt Kiel in the Mittelstrasse.

In order to reduce the length of the journey and to avoid possible danger through KELLY making many journeys between England and Holland a cover address was established in Holland. This was a man named BARENBERG from Sassenheim. The developments in this case became known to the G.I.S. through KOUTRIK. It appeared that the English Intelligence Service in London had discovered KELLY's activities and was seeking for the people behind them. At the same time BARENBERG had become suspicious and had opened a letter which he was supposed to post to London. The text of the letter made it clear that it concerned espionage and he immediately took the letter to the British Consulate. The whole case eventually became known to VRINTEN and thus through KOUTRIK to the Abwehr.

VRINTEN, GRONDEL, and WOONING now considered how they could entice the Abwehr officer concerned into Holland in order to arrest him there (At Cologne had meanwhile been established).

Through the work of KOUTRIK this attempted arrest was rendered unsuccessful but since the English Intelligence Service only used cover names, we never discovered who was behind the whole case.

2) One day, KOUTRIK reported through HOOGEVEEN that a German holding the academic degree of Doctor was working for the British Intelligence Service. This man was said to come at irregular intervals to the Netherlands where he delivered his reports to the P.C.O. KOUTRIK at first said that the man was in direct contact with STEVENS, but this later proved inaccurate for the cut-out was HENDRIKS. Whenever this doctor reached Dutch territory he immediately telephoned the P.C.O. and received further instructions. KOUTRIK added to his report that the doctor on his last visit had been in Utrecht and that the conversations had taken place in a hotel. The doctor had handed over his report and had received a new questionnaire which he had studied thoroughly in the hotel. He had then burnt the questionnaire in the lavatory. KOUTRIK was then asked how he knew this, and he explained that he had been entrusted by the British with guarding this man and had naturally followed him also to the lavatory and had smelt the burning paper.

The Abwehr had naturally now to discover the name of this doctor for if a man with a doctor's degree hands over reports to the P.C.O. these reports must have considerable value for the P.C.O.

Berlin then ordered the inquiry to be pursued with all energy in order to discover the name of this man, and KOUTRIK was, therefore, instructed accordingly with the promise that he would be particularly well paid for this work. Thus, one day KOUTRIK reported that this doctor was called KRÜGER and came from Gottesberg on the Rhine. KOUTRIK was not able to find out what KRÜGER's work in Gottesberg was. It must be remarked in passing that formerly Dr. KRÜGER had always travelled via Holland to England and handed over his reports, but after the introduction of visas these journeys were no longer possible and thus he was run by P.C.O. Holland.

The last time Dr. KRÜGER was in Holland the meeting took place in VRINTEN's house where HENDRIKS was also present. After the meeting KRÜGER travelled by tram to the Coormans Hotel, once more accompanied by KOUTRIK who was responsible for his safety. KOUTRIK was quite sure that he was in the presence of KRÜGER, for he had heard the man ask for a tram ticket in German, and when the conductor asked him whether he was a German, he said "yes", he was from Gottesberg and in the iron industry.

But before this meeting KRÜGER had been in Amsterdam and at that time was under observation by German agents as well as by

representatives of the Abwehr who had followed him from Germany. In the waiting room of the station at Amsterdam he was observed to be in possession of fifty photographs and he also wrote out a report himself. After that his watchers lost him.

KOUTRIK, however, remained the chief witness, and when KRÜGER was arrested in Germany and he had to admit that everything had happened just as KOUTRIK had reported. KRÜGER later committed suicide. He had, however, already confessed that he had worked for the British Intelligence for twenty-one years.

3) One day, when the war with Poland had already broken out, KOUTRIK had his usual meeting with HOOGEVEEN and reported that the First Secretary of the German Embassy in The Hague was employed by the British Intelligence Service. This report was immediately doubted, as no one could believe that the First Secretary of a German Embassy would engage in espionage. The German Ambassador himself, on being informed, sharply rejected such a suggestion and replied that if there was any espionage going on in the Embassy, this could only be being carried out by some employee. The Ambassador demanded proof of the allegations.

KOUTRIK was then set collecting these proofs. He actually procured proof in two cases. The proof concerned people who had offered their services at the German Embassy for espionage against England. The names of these people were checked with the Embassy and corresponded exactly with particulars given by KOUTRIK, and it emerged that FULITEZ knew these offers of service. VRIJZEN had got KOUTRIK to ask one of these people whether he was willing to work against Holland also. The question was answered in the affirmative and the man signed a statement to that effect.

In spite of a specific veto, the German Ambassador confronted FULITEZ with the facts and FULITEZ immediately fled with his servant. The name of FULITEZ was never mentioned by KOUTRIK, perhaps he himself never knew the name.

The Venlo Case.

Immediately after the kidnapping of Major STEVENS and BEST, a conversation took place in the headquarters of General von REICHENAU in Düsseldorf. The head of Amt Ausland Abwehr asked where Major STEVENS from The Hague was at the moment. The answer was given that as far as one knew STEVENS was still in The Hague, at any rate this had been the case a few days before. The chief replied that STEVENS could not possibly still be in Holland and immediately investigations were to be made as to what had happened in Holland and what the STEVENS case was all about. 60

Inquiries that were immediately made in Holland revealed that STEVENS and BEST had been pushed into a car at the frontier near Venlo by certain Germans and that they were probably in the custody of the SPO. Lt. KLOPP, a Dutch officer, had been shot during the incident and was probably dead.

In this case the following was later discovered:

Under the direction of SCHULLENBERG of the S.D. feelers were put out to BEST in Holland and BEST was told that there was a group of dissident officers in Germany who wished to overthrow the Government and were seeking the help of the English in this. BEST had believed this and eventually a W/T transmitter was handed over and the group, led by SCHULLENBERG, established communication with the Netherlands. SCHULLENBERG went several times to Holland and discussed matters with BEST. In fact BEST invited him to stay with him during his visits, but this invitation was refused.

Finally, matters came to a point when this ostensible group of officers were to conduct negotiations in ~~German~~ territory and for these negotiations BEST had to appear personally. BEST had then got into touch with STEVENS who was asked to accompany him. However, since this was a political matter STEVENS hesitated and demanded authorisation from London. He visited the English Ambassador and was told by the latter to take part in the trip.

Someone, however, seemed to have had suspicions and Colonel ROOZBOOM was informed of the matter and delegated Lt. KLOPP and six men to safeguard the meeting.

The negotiations were to take place in No-Man's-Land between the frontier posts. Near the German frontier post a German car was standing. When STEVENS and BEST arrived Lt. KLOPP had not yet turned up, and so the whole kidnapping of STEVENS and BEST took place so rapidly that KLOPP, arriving later, could no longer interfere, and when he attempted to do so, was shot down.

Subsequently in a concentration camp STEVENS gave all the information that he was asked, and BEST, who had had Mein Kampf pressed into his hand, ~~became~~ ^{immediately} became enthusiastic, and said that if he were released he would work for Germany for he had never read Mein Kampf in this light before. The further fate of these two men is not known to me.

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Our ref: E.I.A/D/Gen.

Yr. ref: [redacted] dated 5.1.46.

15th January, 1946.

Dear [redacted]

Please refer to your letter quoted above concerning F.A. van KOUTRIK. As far as I know, this Dutchman is now in Holland, and is still working for the Dutch Navy as a Civil clerk. His family is still believed to be in the U.K.

Yours sincerely,

EJC

E.J. Corin.

[redacted]
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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FROM HOME OFFICE RECORDS.

Our Reference EIA/S/Gen Section EIA/S H.O. Reference.....
(if known)

Surname Van KOUTRIK Christian Names F.A.

Sex M Nationality Dutch
(If naturalised British state when)

Date of Birth.....
(or age)

Other particulars (e.g., Address, Occupation, Passport No., Recent Movements):

August 1943 (Address) 2 Seafield Terrace,
Broughton Ferry, Dundee.
Understood to have then held
a job with the Dutch Navy

N.B. Use a separate Form for each name.

To Home Office Liaison Section.

Please supply:

Copy of Traffic Index Card



NT

Copy of Central Aliens Register Card



Mark items
required ✓

H.O. File



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Please arrange for notification of any future

1. Change of Registration District



2. Exit from or entry into U.K.



Date 10/1

Signature C. Lind-Howes

For use of Home Office Liaison Section.

To EIA/S.

Section R.I. (Home Office.)

P.T.O. for copies of T.I. and C.A.R. Cards.

Date January 11th 1946

Signature Barbara Daniel

Copy of Card in Traffic Index.

* ARRIVAL.
* DEPARTURE.

*Port of Embarkation abroad }
*Port of Disembarkation abroad }

Name.....

Age..... Sex.....

Passport No., Date and Place of Issue.....

Occupation.....

Nationality Nationality at Birth.....

Address in United Kingdom.....

*Port of Arrival }
*Port of Departure }

Description of passenger and class travelled.....

Other information.....

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* Strike out where inapplicable.

Copy of Alien's Registration Card.

* ~~LIVE SECTION.~~
* DEAD SECTION.

HO/R1

Extract of particulars of Registration.

Name..... KOUTRIK Folkert Gric van

Alias.....

Nationality..... Dutch..... (previous).....

Born..... 5. 8. 1912..... in..... Rotterdam

Occupation..... War Refugee

Arrived U.K..... 12. 5. 40..... Left U.K..... Re-entered U.K.....

Passport.....

Registration District..... L.P.D..... Serial No..... E2 369459

I.B. or R.C. No..... 944230

Address.....

Remarks..... Exempt from registration from 1.5.22.41

..... In Royal Netherlands Navy 3.11.42

N.B.—Changes of address within the Registration District are not notified to the Central Aliens Register.

* Strike out where inapplicable.

Secret.

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In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

dated 5.1.46.

Dear ~~Corin~~,

see 20 R.M. 8/1
F. A. Van KOUTRIK (Dutch).
Born 5.8.12 at Rotterdam, Holland.

We would be grateful if you could inform us as soon as possible whether subject is still in this country, or the date of his departure from the U.K. and his destination.

You will no doubt recollect Van KOUTRIK as having been in the employ of your department on his arrival from Holland in May, 1940, and later as an interrogator for M.I.6 at the R.V.P.S. for some months in 1942.

Our last trace of Van KOUTRIK is dated August, 1943, when he was living at 2 Seafield Terrace, Broughty Ferry, near Dundee, and where, we understand, he held a job with the Dutch Navy.

Yours sincerely,

Capt. E.J.R. Corin,

M. I. 5.

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Name VAN KOUTRIK

Ref. No. PF 603328/Y

Date 30.8.45

Further information held by B.I.D.

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A.D.E.

10th February, 1944.

Dear Gilbert,

Thank you for your 79/40/17783/C2S dated 3.2.44 re Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK.

Van KOUTRIK rang me himself a day or two ago about the cancellation of his Category II exemptions, and I assured him that I had cancelled the exemptions myself and explained to him the reasons for this. In the course of a general review of Category II exemptions, we wrote to the Netherlands Government asking them whether they considered it necessary for van KOUTRIK still to be in possession of these exemptions. As they replied in the negative, we requested them to obtain van KOUTRIK's Registration Certificate in order to cancel the endorsement. I am sorry that you were not informed of this at the time.

With regard to the last two paragraphs of your letter:-

1) We had understood that van KOUTRIK was employed by the Royal Netherlands Navy as a civilian. However, we made fresh enquiries on receipt of your letter and are now informed that he is, in fact, a serving member of the Navy. His civilian papers should, therefore, have been returned to you.

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2) The Foreign Official pass issued to v
KOUTRIK on 22.1.41 was cancelled when the
Category II exemptions were granted to him -
October 1941.

Yours sincerely,
S. P. BROOKE-BOOTH.

H.G. Gilbert Esq., O.B.E.,
Criminal Investigation Dept.,
New Scotland Yard.

MPS.

79/40/17783/C2S

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT,

NEW SCOTLAND YARD,

LONDON, S.W.1

Your Reference.....

54a
3rd February, 1944

Dear Brooke-Booth, L.O. 12

I send you a copy of a letter which we have received from Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK. In January 1941 M.I.5. letter of the 22nd January 1941 (B.24/730) to D.A.C., Special Branchm notified that Koutrik was the 'holder of a Foreign Official Pass which by arrangement with H.O. ensured him complete exemption from the Aliens Order'.

Your Department notified me in October 1941 of the granting of a Category II exemption to van Koutrik on the 22nd October, 1941, while he was registered in Huntingdonshire.

We have not cancelled this Category II exemption Will you kindly inform me whether M.I.5. have done so and if so whether you will reply or shall we. If the man is still serving in the Dutch Navy surely the Alien Registration certificate 944230 should be returned to us.

It might be useful for us to know in case he returns to this District at some later date whether the category I exemption conveyed by the Foreign Official Pass has also been cancelled.

Yours sincerely,

Capt. S.P. Brooke-Booth, M.I.5.

H.S. M.B.

COPY

53a
2 Seafield Terrace,
Broughty Ferry,
Scotland

26.1.44.

Dear Sir,

Referring to my letter dated 2.12.1943, informing you that following instructions received from R. Netherl. Naval H.Q. I surrendered my Certificate of Registration, no. 944230 to the above Naval Office, I herewith bring to your notice that this certificate was returned to me yesterday.

I would like to draw your attention to the following:-
Having worked for the British War Office for a number of years, before and during this war, the following was entered in my Certificate of Registration:-

"The Secretary of State for the Home Department has directed that:- Koutrik, Folkert, Arie van, the holder of this registration certificate shall be exempt from any restriction imposed upon aliens by that description by any order made after 31.8.39 by the Secretary of State under Articles 9 and 11 of the Aliens Order, 1920, as subsequently amended.
(dated 22nd Oct. 1941
signed T.F.Turner)

On reading through the just returned certificate, I notice, that the above given statement, signed by Mr.Turner, now bears a stamp:-
"CANCELLED" dated 21.12.'43.

As no signature has been added to this cancellation, would you kindly inform me whether this is done by a British-official.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) F.A.V. Koutrik.

Metropolitan Police,
Aliens Registration Office,
Piccadilly Place,
London, W.1.

B.4. 24.

METROPOLITAN POLICE OFFICE

Any further communication on the subject of this letter should be addressed to:—
THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE OF THE
METROPOLIS, NEW SCOTLAND YARD, S.W.1
and the following No. quoted

New Scotland Yard
London, S.W.1

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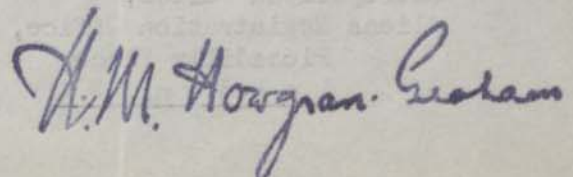
POSTAGE MUST BE PREPAID

I am directed by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis to say that it has been reported that, on the you were using a motor vehicle which was not equipped with a reflecting mirror.

No further action will be taken in regard to this matter, but I am to inform you that, if you are reported again, it may be necessary to take proceedings against you in respect of the later case.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,



Secretary

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM.

52a

From EIA/S To ADE

With reference to your minute of 31.10.43, herewith
F.A. van Koutrik's P.R.C. for cancellation of Cat. II
Exemptions. Please return to me in due course for
return through Berksma.

E.J. Lorin

18.12.43

E.I.A/S

23/12

Thank you, the endorsement on the certificate has been
cancelled. Will you please p.a. these papers to his file.

Date 21.12.43 Signature E.J. Lorin

S. Form 161. Note: Certificate returned to Major Berksma
on 6.1.1944 by me. E.J. Lorin EIA/S 8.1.44

D/B.

C.I.D.

51a

London, 17th December, 1943.

82 Eaton Square, S.W.1.

In reply to yours EIA/S of 10th November, 1943, I herewith beg to enclose
the Registration Certificate of F.A. VAN KOUTRIK in order to have the endorse-
ment on Category II Exemptions cancelled.

PRC. No 944230 - Bow St. 12.6.40

From Dutch Security

Recd 18.12.43

500
E1a/S

London, 10th November, 1943.

F.A. VAN KOUTRIK.

You may remember that some little time ago I mentioned this individual to you in connection with a firearms licence which he was trying to renew, and, as far as I can recollect, you told me that VAN KOUTRIK was now employed as a clerk in the Netherlands Naval Offices at Dundee.

If this is the case, I should imagine he no longer requires the Category II Exemptions which he obtained in 1941. If you agree, I should be grateful if you would be good enough to get his Registration Certificate so that I may have the endorsement cancelled.

SLC

RJC/Q

To Dutch Security

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM.

From.....A.D.E.....

To.....E.l.a/S. Capt. Corin.....

SLC 49a
2/11

F.A. Van KOUTRIK.

This man was granted Category II exemptions at the request of M.I.6. on 22.10.41. He is no longer employed by them, but his exemptions have never been cancelled.

Could you please find out from the Dutch what employment Van KOUTRIK now has, and whether they consider that he needs such a wide measure of exemption. If the Dutch do not support these exemptions, I intend to recall his Registration Certificate, and have them cancelled.

Date.....31.10.43.....

Signature.....L.P. [Signature].....

Secret & Personal

12th July, 1943.

My dear Peter,

The affair of Folkert Arie van Koutrik and his pistol, the subject of your Gen/30/5/Region 11 of 14th and 28th June to which Corin and Stewart have replied in their letters of 19th June and 4th July respectively, ended up with me on the grounds that he is nominally an ex-employee of this Office (inasmuch as he was at one time in B 2 4 under Wood) and subsequently worked for S.I.S., and thus has a Record of Service here.

Without worrying you with details, I have found that S.I.S. severed all connection with him in March 1942, and we cannot trace that he is being employed by any other British Department. The Dutch authorities in London, whom we have approached, say that as far as they are concerned he is just a clerk and there is no reason why he should retain the pistol.

There therefore appear to be no grounds for Van Koutrik's statement to the Police that he is now employed on Security work, and no doubt this was based on his former service, combined with a little wishful thinking - unlikely to be fulfilled - for the future.

I think S.I.S. would prefer that Van Koutrik's former association with them should not be mentioned to the local Dutch authorities, and all I can suggest is

/that

that the Police should be informed in confidence that as he was, until fairly recently, engaged in special work we do not wish to take any action regarding his statement to them that he is still so employed. We can however, say that we have ascertained it is no longer necessary for him to be in possession of the pistol.

Hope this will allow you to clear the matter up.

I am returning the various documents herewith as requested.

Yours ever,

(Lt.Col.M.E.D. Cumming)

Lt.Col. P. Perfect,
Box, No.5.
Edinburgh.

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Note.

The 'various documents' returned to Col. Perfect, consisted of a letter from C.C. Dundee to Col. Perfect asking if it was necessary for van Koutrik to be in possession of the pistol and enclosing a letter from the Kent County Constabulary together with Firearms Renewal Application Form and Firearms Certificate.

Secret and Personal.

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A.D.A. - Lt. Col. M.E.D. Cumming.

I have spoken to Dutch Security about F.A. van Koutrik and his application for a renewal of firearms certificate.

They know all about van Koutrik and his present job at Dundee and say that as far as they are concerned he is just a clerk and there is no reason at all for him to retain a pistol. The papers are returned herewith, as requested, and I note that you will be writing to Perfect.

E.J. Linn

EIA/S

10.7.43

ADA *Wid*
9/7

46a

I have spoken to
J. H. Park who confirms
that Van KOOTRIK is in
no way connected with
S.O.E.

JH

9.7.43

Secret & Personal

E1a/S - via E.J. Corin ^{S2C}
10/7/43

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Van Koutrik was formerly with us (B24) and
latterly with S.I.S. I have spoken S.I.S.

[] who says that he ceased to have
any connection with them last year. There
~~is therefore no S.I.S. record for~~ therefore appears
to be no basis for Van K's claim that he
is on Security work — unless he is being
so employed by the Dutch.

S.I.S. have no objection to your approaching
the Dutch, and saying simply that ~~you~~ ^{you} do not
know of any basis for his claim. S.I.S. would
prefer that no mention should be made of
his former association with them.

If the Dutch disclaim any grounds for his
request to keep the pistol, ~~no doubt you will~~
perhaps you would let me know, & I will
write to Prefect. ~~on your hand~~ if the Dutch
are using Van K., we can tell Prefect what
reply to give to the Police

May I have papers back for p.c. in due
course please.

W.L.C., 7.7.43

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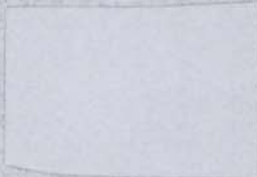
44a

R.of S./ADA 4th July, 1943.
Your Ref.Gen.30/5/Region 11.

Lt.-Colonel P. Perrott,
Box No.5.
Edinburgh

Folkert Aris Van KOUERIK 44a

With reference to your Gen.30/5/Reg.11
of the 23th June with regard to the
above, Cumming has asked me to let
you know that there may be a few days
delay in replying, as certain complications
have arisen. He will, however, let
you have a reply as soon as possible.



IFG/LMH

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to ascertain:-

(1) Whether KOUTRIK ^{is} still
connected with them -

(2) Whether, in view of his
former (or possibly present)
service with S.I.S. there
was any objection to
the Dutch Security Service
being approached regarding
his retention of pistol.

will let me know

Wardle

Note. If S.I.S. say no objection ^{to (2)}, we should
pass ~~the~~ these papers back to E/a/S
(Mr. (a)) to approach Dutch

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~~D.D.O.~~ A.D.A.Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK.

Confirming our telephone conversation today, I attach hereto original letter from Perfect, dated 12.6.43, together with report from the Dundee Police, Firearm Certificate No. 998 in the name of F.A. van KOUTRIK, dated 29.5.40, letter from Kent County Constabulary, Folkestone, dated 27.5.43 to the C.C. Dundee, and application for the renewal of Firearm Certificate in the name of F.A. van KOUTRIK dated 9.6.43.

As explained to you, owing to changes in the secretarial staff in the section, the usual L.U. procedure was ^{not} followed as it should have been.

It so happens that no action has been taken with the Dutch, and I therefore trust that no real harm has been done.

I am most grateful to you for drawing my attention to this matter.

E1a/S
1.7.43.

E. J. Corin
(E. J. Corin)

SECRET

30 JUN 1943 400

Telephone No.
EDINBURGH 32477.

BOX No. 5,
EDINBURGH.

Gen. 30/5/Region 11.
Your Ref: E.l.a/S/GEN

28th June, 1943.

E.J. Corin, Esq.,
London.

✓ Folkert Arie Van KOUTRIK. ✓

Thank you for your note of 19th June,
regarding the above.

I wonder if you have been able to
contact the Chief of the Dutch Security
Service in regard to this man yet? If so,
would you please let me know the result
in order that I may pass on any information
we may get to the Dundee Police.

2 of 5 held Accounts.

Koon 055 have paper

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Now in R of 5

09/17/43

Lt.-Colonel,
(P. Perfect.)

ENCL

Scottish Regional Security Officer.

30 JUN 1943

TO
REF

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E.1.a/S/GEN

Your ref. Gen.30/5/Region 11.

19th June 1943.

Lt.Col. P.Perfect,
Box, No.5.
Edinburgh.

Folkert Arie Van KOUTRIK.

Your letter and enclosures of the 14th June have been passed to me. The Chief of the Dutch Security Service is at the moment out of London, but as soon as he returns I will get in touch with him and let you have a reply as soon as possible.

ELC

I.5.

E.J.Corin.

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SECRET

Telephone No.
EDINBURGH 32477.

BOX No. 3,
EDINBURGH.

Gen. 30/5/Region 11. 14th June, 1943.

C.R. Cheney, Esq., - E.I.B.
London.

Folkert Arie Van KOUTRIK.

I enclose a copy of a self-explanatory letter and the enclosures mentioned therein, which I have today received from the Dundee Police, regarding the above-named.

Please would you let me have the necessary information to enable me to reply to the Chief Constable, Dundee, and also return the enclosures?

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15 JUN 1943
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Lt.-Colonel,
(P. Perfect.)
Scottish Regional Security Officer.

AL./ED.

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Secret.

In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

37a

dated 17.3.42.

Dear Hooper,

In your E1a/HH/951 of 15.3.42. you ask me to let you know as soon as F.A. van KOUTRIK terminates his employment with us in order that the Dutch authorities may be informed.

Van KOUTRIK has only recently been taken on by us as an interrogator at the R.V.P.S. and there is no question of our dismissing him. Arrangements have been made with the Dutch authorities that he shall not be called up by them for military service.

Yours sincerely,

J.N. Emik

For R.E.M.

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Please P.A.

H. Hooper Esq.,
M.I.5.

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P.A.

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E.1a/HH/951

15th March, 1942.

Dear Elliott,

Would you be so kind as to notify us as soon as P.A. van KOUTRIK terminates his employment with your Department, in order that the Dutch authorities may be informed.

Yours sincerely,


H. Hooper.

J.N.Elliott, Esq.,
E.I.S.

MPK.

35a

E.1a/HH/925

10th March, 1942.

Dear Grassby,

Reference your S/D.1. of 8.3.42
Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK is working
for M.I.6. He has been asked not
to disclose the branch of the service
he is working for, and in future
will refer matters to Room 055, War
Office.

I should be grateful if you
would kindly notify the Chief
Constable of the nature of Van
KOUTRIK's work.

Yours sincerely,


H. Hooper.

Major C. Grassby,
Box No. 22.,
TUNBRIDGE WELLS.

MPK.

SECRET

Telephone No.
TUNBRIDGE WELLS 3320.
Ext. 40 & 41.

BOX No. 22,

340
TUNBRIDGE WELLS,
KENT.

Ref:
S/D.1

8th March 1942

Dear Hooper,

With reference to my letter of 4.2.42, I should be glad to know whether the Dutchman, Falkert Aril Van KOUTRIC, of "The Mount", Lower Kingswood, Surrey, is actually working for M.I.6, as he informed the police. I should like this information, in order that I may pass it on to the Chief Constable.

Yours sincerely,

J.R. Peebles

Captain J.R. Peebles,
for Major C. Grassby.

HN
H. Hooper Esq.
E.I.A.
London.

/CD

ENCL —
9 MAR 1942
TO E.I.A.
REF

R.3y.

Miss Sercombe.

Attached are the van KOUTRIK papers about which we spoke this morning & you kindly said you would find a home for them.

Rachel Wadeson is also interested in their fate as she was checking his card the other day. If you could let me know what you decide, I can tell Rachel.

Eve Hayler.

A.D.E.1. Secretary
8.2.42.

Make 4 Box

4 let Mrs Hayler

ADE 1. Know

See above

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M.I.L.(a)

The contents of Mr. van KOUTRIK's letter are substantially correct. This man's services have very recently been re-engaged in Intelligence duties, though not under this department and under the circumstances it would be appreciated if you would ask the Netherlands authorities not to call this man up.

M.I.5.
19.1.42.

Sgd. FURNIVAL JONES.

33a

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EXTRACT FROM M.I.L./B.M./4317/A.

OFFER OF SERVICES BY F.A. Van KOUTRIK.

5.

M.I.5.

Reference minute 3 and enclosure 4A, we have to-day had a conversation with the Dutch Military Mission who state that the Netherlands Ministry of Defence have, in the first instance, refused to release Mr. van KOUTRIK. It was suggested to the Royal Dutch Military Mission that if this man's services were of value to the branch of the Services concerned, and thus to the common cause, the matter should be reconsidered. The Dutch Military Mission agreed to approach the Netherlands Ministry of Defence again on receipt of information:-

(a) as to the degree of value placed by the authority concerned on Mr. van KOUTRIK's services, and

(b) as to the period of service, say, three or six months.

Furthermore, we ourselves consider that it would facilitate matters if we could definitely inform the Dutch that Mr. van KOUTRIK, on completion of his term of engagement, will be free to resume duty wherever the Dutch Military Authorities decide to utilise his services.

M.I.L.(b).
29.1.42.

sgd. E.C. Bradfield.
Major, G.S.

Encl. 4A.

Letter from M.I.L. Major Bradfield d/d 21.1.42. to Colonel H.J. Phaff, Royal Dutch Military Mission.

"With reference to your letter No.41/507 dated the 22nd December, 1941, concerning Mr. F.A. Van Koutrik, we have just heard that his services have very recently been re-engaged in intelligence duties, and it would accordingly be very much appreciated if the Netherlands Authorities would agree to release him from his military obligations as a Netherlands subject, until further notice....."

6.

M.I.L.(b).

It is understood that the section concerned have been in communication with the Dutch Authorities who are agreeable to van KOUTRIK not being called up. If his services were subsequently dispensed with van KOUTRIK would, of course, be available for service with the Dutch Forces.

M.I.5.
26.2.42.

sgd. E.M.Furnival Jones.

Captain, G.S.

G.3.D C & D. Captain Furnival Jones.

32a

Attached please see papers relating to van KOUTRIK,
perhaps you would extract a suitable reply to M.I.L.(b)
from them.

Would you kindly return all our papers as soon as
possible.

E.1a/HH
26.2.42.

for M.P. King
H. Hooper.

Secret.

In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

30a

[redacted] dated 5.2.42.

Dear Hooper,

With reference to your E.1.A/HH/766 of 1.2.42. about VAN KOUTRIK's alleged indiscretions, you may care to see the attached copy of the reply which I have sent to Orr's letter.

Yours sincerely,

J. N. Elms

For R.E.M.

H. Hooper, Esq.,
M.I.5.

copy of letter

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C O P Y.

29a

dated 5.2.42.

Dear Orr,

Please refer to your letter, reference G.L.158/42 of 30.1.42. about F.A.VAN KOUTRIK.

We do not feel that VAN KOUTRIK has committed any major indiscretion as the Dutch have known for some time that he was in our service, and for this reason they refuse to employ him themselves. Moreover, they presumably also knew that he had been working for M.I.5. before he wrote the letter to the Royal Dutch Military Mission to which you refer. He had, after all, to give some adequate reason to his own military authorities as to why he should not be called up.

So long therefore that VAN KOUTRIK does not give the Dutch details of his present appointment we do not feel that he can really be blamed for his behaviour. A note is being sent to him to the effect that he must treat his present employment as extremely confidential and must not discuss his position with any other person, not even his own Government. However, as a liaison officer of the Dutch intelligence service frequently visits the Patriotic Schools I do not suppose that this will have a very beneficial effect, as they will already know that he is there.

Yours sincerely,

J.N.E.

D. C. Orr, Esq.,
Room 055,
WAR OFFICE,
Whitehall, S.W.1.

*Sis. tell me the Dutch have now
agreed not to call up van Koutrik.*

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BOX No. 22,

Telephone No.
TUNBRIDGE WELLS 3320.
Ex. 40 & 41.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS,
KENT.

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TO...F.I.A.
REF.....

4th February 1942

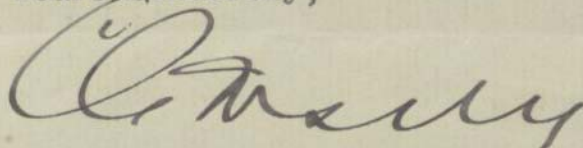
Dear Hooper,

The Chief Constable of Surrey has sent me the following information about a Dutchman by the name of Falkert Arie Van KOUTRIK, R.C. No.944230, residing at "The Mount", Lower Kingswood.

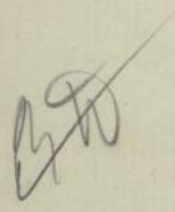
Van KOUTRIK was seen by a Police officer at the request of the Banstead Food Officer, as there was a difference between his correct Registration Card number and that entered on his Identity Card. This, however, appears to have been a mistake made by the person who entered the number.

Van KOUTRIK told the Police officer who interviewed him that he had been employed by M.I.5, and was now working for M.I.6. I should be grateful if you could let me know the truth of this statement, for the information of the Chief Constable.

Yours sincerely,



Major C. Grassby.


H. Hooper Esq.,
E.I.A.
London.

SECRET

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D.D.E./Gen/T.F.T.

3rd February 1942.

Dear Koutrik,

I have received your letter telling me that you have now been taken on by M.I.6. at the R.V.P.S. and I am glad to hear it. I am afraid, however, that I cannot re-issue any pass to you except upon the formal request of M.I.6. It does not seem to me that you will require any pass for your present duties, nor anything more than the exemptions from Aliens Restrictions which I endorsed on your Aliens Registration Certificate. The matter is, however, one for M.I.6. and you will no doubt take the matter up with them.

Yours sincerely,

T. F. Turner

F.A. Van Koutrik Esq.,
c/o Mr. Humphrey,
25 Este Road,
Clapham Junction,
S.W. 11.

26a

A. A. van Houtrik.
To Mr. Humphrey.
25 Este Road
Clapham Junction SW 11.

Dear Sir,

I am glad to inform you that
thanks to Mr. Steadman, I am again
working for the British Government
at the Royal Victoria Patriotic School
Wandsworth for N. Y. 6.

I would be very pleased if
you would return to me my original
pass which I handed over to you on
the 22-10-'41.

Yours sincerely

A. A. van Houtrik

Mr. Turner
Box 300 St. James's B.O.
London SW 1.

25a

E.L.A./PH/766.

1st February 1942.


Dear Elliott,

Please refer to Orr's letter of 30.1.42 (his reference G.L.159/42) re van KOUTRIK's indiscretions concerning his previous employment.

No doubt you will take the necessary steps to suppress him, although Orr, not knowing the Dutch situation in this respect, takes rather too serious a view of the matter.

At the same time you may like to sound van KOUTRIK on his present contacts with the Dutch Security Service.

Yours sincerely,


H. Hooper.

J.N. Elliott Esq.,
S.I.S.

24a

E.L.A./HH/767,

1st February 1942.


D.C. Orr Esq.,
Room 055.

Dear Orr,

I am grateful for your letter of 30.1.42 (your reference G.L.159/42) regarding F.A. van KOUTRIK's indiscretions.

I shall approach Elliott of M.I.6. on the subject and you can rest assured that the necessary steps will be taken to suppress this man.

Yours sincerely,


H. Hooper.

IBC.

SECRET



Room 055,

23a

WAR OFFICE,

WHITEHALL,

S.W.1.

G.L.159/42.

30th January 1942.

H.Hooper, Esquire,
M.I.5.

Dear Hooper,

With reference to our telephone conversation this morning
re Mr.F.A.VAN KOUTRIK, I now send you copy of my G.L.158/42 to
Elliott of S.I.S., which he asked me to let him have. He was
apparently unaware of Van Koutrik's appalling indiscretion, as
shown by the extract from the latter's communication to the Royal
Dutch Military Mission in M.I.L.'s B.M. No.4317A attached.

If Van Koutrik has acquired any knowledge of the working of
S.I.S. or the Security Service, someone ought to take this up on
a high level.

Yours sincerely,

bcn.

DCO/AMR.

Copy for Mr. Hooper.

Room 055,

ENCLOSURE
IN G.L. 159/42.

23a

G.L.158/42.

30th January 1942.

N.Elliot, Esquire,
M.I.6.

Dear Elliot,

Confirming our telephone conversation this morning, Mr.F.A.VAN KOUTRIK, who is due for calling up in the Netherlands Army, has written to the Royal Dutch Military Mission as follows:-

"Since the end of 1936 I have been in the service of the British Government, namely the Secret Intelligence Service, and since I have been in the United Kingdom I have been working for M.I.5. As the section in which I was employed has been abolished, I was dismissed at the end of September 1941. It was agreed, however, that I should be re-employed in one of the branches of the War Office as soon as a vacancy occurred. At the beginning of this month I was informed that a vacancy arose and that the decision on my possible appointment was to be taken before the end of December."

I am only concerned with the fact that this man has divulged that he has been working for M.I.5 since he came to the U.K. It seems to me that his usefulness at the Royal Patriotic School is now questionable, and that if he is a talker he must be a positive danger both to your organisation and our own.

Yours sincerely,

DCO/AMR.

bcn

G.2.D. (C. & D.)

With reference to the query
from M.I.L., please see S.I.S.'s
letter of 2:1:42.

A.D.E.1.
8:1:42.

K. G. Younger
K.G. Younger.
Major.

G.2.D. (C & D)

With reference to the attached
letter from S.I.S., it has now been
learned that F.A. van KOUTRIK is
being employed by them as examiner
at the Patriotic Schools.

E.1a/HH
18.1.42.

H. Hooper
H. Hooper.

Mr. Hooper
E.1.a. (thro' A.D.E.) to see & P.A.
please.

20.1.42.

P.A.

JS/KV/2604.

- 5 JAN 1942

21a

4th January, 1942.

Dear Younger,

I apologise for the delay in dealing with your letter of 25.12.41., about F.A. van KOUTRIK. I have made enquiries here. We are not interested in him. His name was considered - I should say in September - when T.F. Turner mentioned him and another officer to me.

Yours sincerely,

John Lunt

Major The Hon. K.G. Younger,
M.I.5.,
LONDON.

Secret.

In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

[redacted] dated 2.1.42.

20a

Dear Hooper,

Please refer to your E.1a/HH/612 of 25.12.41. about F.A.
van KOUTRIK.

We are contemplating re-engaging this man's services and
would therefore be grateful if you would request the Dutch not to
call him up for the time being.

I will let you know as soon as a decision is reached.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

H. Hooper, Esq.,
M.I.5.

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C.R.d.

Lt. Cmdr. J.Senter, R.N.V.R.
S.O.E.

The Dutch Army is attempting to call up F.A. van KOUTRIK, "Cosy Corner Guest House", Great North Road, St. Neots, Hunts.

He has informed us of the work which he has been doing for the British Intelligence Service. He states that his employment by the British came to an end in September 1941, which is correct. He goes on to say, "it was agreed, however, that I should be re-employed in one of the branches of the War Office as soon as a vacancy occurred. At the beginning of this month I was informed that a vacancy arose and that the decision on my possible appointment was to be taken before the end of December."

The Dutch have now asked this L.I.B. whether the British still require the man.

This Department has no employment in prospect for him, and would raise no objection to his being called up. Before replying, I should like to know whether you are in any way interested in the man.

26.12.41.

Kay
Major K.G. Younger.

Copy to S.I.S.

A.D.E.

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I believe your
people know something
about van Koutrise
and I should be
grateful if you could
advise me as to the
time of reply which
should be sent to IA.

Rudspair

G.2 (J.C.O.D.)

24. 12. 41.

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N.I.S.

Please see my
G.L. 1590/41 of 28.7.41
to Major J.F. Bygott
re Van Koutrise.

bcom.

Room 055, W.O.

23. 12. 41.

He seems to have
little discretion. See
Para. 2 of enclosed
letter from Butch
Military Mission.

bco

Mrs Constant

Miss Edwards. ~~D.(A). Secretary.~~

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Mr. Turner mentioned to Colonel Butler, when he sent him a note together with the files for KOUTRIK and MACKEE on 22.10.41, that he had granted KOUTRIK exemption from aliens' war-time restrictions. The attached is the notification of the grant of these exemptions to his local C.C., which we have to send whenever such an exemption is given. Perhaps you would be so kind as to have it put on KOUTRIK's file?

D.D.E. Secretary.
27.10.41.

Harry A. Kelly

15a
D.D.E.

26th October 1941.

Dear Captain Rivett-Carnac,

Under a special procedure the Home Office has authorised M.I.5, by arrangement with the Foreign Office and Scotland Yard, to grant exemptions from aliens' restrictions to certain aliens in this country. We have been asked by Scotland Yard to notify the appropriate Police Authorities of any exemption granted by us under this procedure, and I am now writing to inform you that we have granted exemption from any restrictions imposed on aliens by any order made by the Secretary of State under Articles 9 and 11 of the Aliens Order, since 31.8.39, to:

Folkert Arie Van KOUTRIK, of Cosy Corner, Great North Road,
St. Neots.

Dutch national: holder of Aliens Reg. Cert. 944230 issued
at Bow Street 12.6.40.

Yours sincerely,

Ag. C. Hawes

for Brigadier Sir David Petrie.

Captain J.C.T. Rivett-Carnac, M.C.
Chief Constable, Huntingdonshire Constabulary,
County Office, Huntingdon.

Personal & Confidential

22.10.41

14a

Dear Charles

(to-day)

I have now paid off Kuntz and enclose his receipt. I also took off him his D.R. Form 10, but as I am now responsible for these I wish see to its cancellation. He assured me that he had no other passes. I gave him an exemption from Athens War Time restrictions on my own responsibility as a cop for losing his DR 10 which, of course, exempted him from the entire Athens Order.

Do not, Charles, therefore say that I never do any of the dirty work! Kuntz and Pracker never worked for me but I have had the devil of a lot of dirty work in getting rid of them. I hope that they are both sufficiently reminded to their fate not to be troublesome hereafter.

Not knowing what else to do with their files I attach them hereto. I shall not actively regret it if I never see them again.

Yours ever

Thos

Secret.

In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

dated 3.10.41.

My dear Theo,

With reference to your recent visit regarding the case of MACKEE and KOUTRIK, -

We have gone into the suggestion that these two men should be found employment in the Censorship, but I am afraid that the Censorship authorities can hold out no hope. KOUTRIK is automatically ruled out on the score of nationality (only British born can be employed), while MACKEE's qualifications are redundant, as Dutch is not wanted. The only possible chance for a man of his age with his experience would be, I am told, as an "expert" in the Trade Division, but it is feared that he does not fill that bill.

I am very sorry that this line has failed.

Yours sincerely,

Theo Turner, Esq.,
M.I.S.

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In accordance with D.G.'s instructions, spoke Colonel Vivian, and asked him to see whether he could do anything for KOUTRIK or McKEE. I explained that we really wanted to be generous, but that we had at present no use for their services.

8/2/16.

D.D.G.
20.8.41.

S. FORM 27.

S.I.S.

3.10.41.

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This, and the next paper, were sent to me by K in response to an invitation from me to suggest a line in which he could be of use to this Office. I pointed out to him that the conclusion of the next paper was foolish and utterly irrelevant - with which he quite agreed. 15 Dec 1941

Every day again we can hear people talk in a careless way and more and more we see people who are not satisfied with the situation, politically as well as in other forms.

Specially between Aliens, there is to observe an anti-British-feeling, because most Aliens think different than the British-people.

The worst which can happen is that people are growing unsatisfied. This may be caused by fifth-column and when spread it may lead to greater faultfinding and uneasiness than we have already, or even to greater extend.

To control and prevent this I think it necessary to have regular contact with people, and where it concerns Aliens, to mix up with them, visit their clubs etc to listen to their conversations and watch their actions.

I know that this has been done already for a long time, but the still growing irruption shows that better control is highly necessary.

Is not it more irruption which we wish to see inside Germany?

Whatever it is caused by in this country, we will have to prevent it, and with my experience and knowledge of three languages I am at your disposal.

(see page 2.)

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2.

This information has been given to me in confidence.

19-9-41.

Van Koutrik.

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Already whilst working for Wm.H.Muller & Co. at Rotterdam as assistant-chief-controller, I passed some valuable information re National-Socialist-movements and Nazi-activities in Holland on to the Dutch Government. Knowing Nazism as the greatest danger for the world, and as no measures could be taken by the Dutch at that time, I left my position at Muller and started working for the British Government end 1936. I was engaged by [redacted] for S.I.S.

Together with Mr.Vrinten, whom I knew for years and who formerly (in Mr.Dalton's time) worked together with a friend of my family, Mr.Zaal, I worked for S.I.S. until the invasion of my country. Details concerning my activities in Holland as well as in Germany can be obtained from S.I.S. Certainly within the last two years I worked in constant danger as the Nazi-power grew bigger and bigger, but I stayed on the job and did my utmost.

When we had to leave Holland which was a matter of hours, together with my wife, (who expected a baby) I destroyed all reports, lists and valuable documents, which took us all the available time. When finished I went over to V.'s house. Although only a small part of his file was destroyed, he asked me to collect the car. I drove my wife and children as well as the family V. through the town, whilst bombing and machine-gunning was going on, safe aboard of the ship which brought us over to England.

I am proud to say that, for my part, not a piece of paper, which could lead to the arrest by Germans of our agents, was left ~~XXXX~~ in my house. My wife and I, we did not think of ourselves but of the people who had to be left behind. We left the house only with a small case with some children-cloths.

Arriving on board V. specially paid a big amount to a cardriver, who went for him to his house and collected for V. six or eight big cases, containing cloths etc. These cases were packed before we left our houses.....

When arrived in England, it took some weeks before we received money and I was forced to borrow as my wife was to be sent to a hospital.

(see page 2)

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Later I received £ 20.--. with which I bought cloths for my family and myself.

A short time ago I was told that my work was very satisfactory. Suddenly I am dismissed because our section does not work anymore.

I am told that it is appreciated what I have done for this country. My activities on behalf of England brought me to this country with my wife and three children and now I am simply dismissed although I did my duty till the last minute. There seems to be no room for me in any of the British-services.

Dismissed with one month salary; even on the Continent whenever we had to dismiss an agent he was paid three months salary, and when this man had been of great value to us it was usual to give a special amount, apart from his salary. Here in England however it seems different..... Is this the way this Government shows her appreciation. Very generous indeed.

Did I hear somebody say "DEMOCRACY"?

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Box No. 300,
St. James Street B.O.,
London S.W.1.

E.L.C/93

13th September, 1941.

Dear Mr. Koutrik,

Mr. Turner would like to see you one day next week. Any day would be convenient except Tuesday or Wednesday morning. Could you, therefore, ring him up as soon as possible and make an appointment?

Yours sincerely,

F.C.B. Wood.

F. A. van Koutrik,
33a Craven Hill Gardens,
W. 2.

MIP

Handwritten signature

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM.

11a

From Region 5./S.O.2. (Major Langdon) To E.I.C. (Mr. Wood)

With reference to your minute of 14th August regarding Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK, please see attached letter, MVL/KV/1537 of 21st August from S.O.2. KOUTRIK's letter stating his qualifications is returned attached.

*S.I.S. have been, or are big, with the
regarding Koutrik. Please file this with
his papers. 29.8.41*

Date 23.8.41.

Signature *J. H. Langdon*

S. Form 161

for Lt.Col. Hinchley Cooke, R.S.L.O., London.

MVL/KV/1537

11a

21st August, 1941.

Dear Major Langdon,

Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK.

In Colonel Whetmore's absence I am writing to thank you for your letter of the 15th August, enclosing particulars of the above-named man.

There is unfortunately no chance of employing him here, and I am returning his papers to you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Lepper

(Secretary to Lieut-Colonel Whetmore)

Major G.H. Langdon,
M.I.5.
London.

22 AUG 1941

August the 13th. 1941. 11a

Dear Sir,

I hereby state that undermentioned are details regarding my life:

Folkert Arie van KINTRIK, born at Rotterdam August 5th. 1912. Dutch-nationality. I was educated in Rotterdam, public school for 6 years, preparation-school for one year and highschool 4 years.

When 18 years of age, I became a clerk in the offices of "De Winkel & Cones", forwarding-agents in Holland. After two years I was in charge of two departments, one in Rotterdam and one in Utrecht. I left this firm end 1933 for "Jac. BLOM's Auto Supply-Company" a well known firm in Holland, being sales-manager untill end 1934. January 1935 I got a position with "Wm. H. Muller & Co." Cargadoors at Rotterdam as the assistant of the chief-controller, he being in charge of ca. 150 controllers.

As Wm. H. Muller & Co. carried out the work for the International Fruit Import Comp., (Sijders & Fyffes), I was asked by the director of the last mentioned Comp. to control prices, quality and quantity of imported fruit by competitor-companies, for which reason I travelled in Holland, Belgium, Germany and Switzerland.

When in 1937 the competition was ended by a congress of fruit-importers, I became in charge of the iron-trade and storage as well as a special-controller of Wm. H. Muller & Co.

I left this firm to serve the British-Government in the same year, when I was engaged by [redacted] for the S.I.S.

I worked here together with Mr. A. J. J. Vrinten.

Reports regarding my activities in the service can be obtained from S.I.S.

With regard to my work, mainly against Nazism, I was forced to leave my country for the U.K. when the Germans invaded the low-countries, leaving everything behind.

Since May 1940 I have been working for M.I.5. under command of Mr. Wood.

I am married, my wife and three children are also in England.

Trusting you will find the information satisfactory,

I am

Yours truthfully:

Folkert Arie van Kintrik

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11a
Folkert Arie van KOUTRIK

Born Rotterdam 5.8.12.

Nationality: Dutch.

I attach a copy of Koutrik's life history which he has written in connection with an application for employment by S.O.2.

I also attach a copy of my covering note to Major Langdon which will give you my opinion of Koutrik.

You will see from his letter that he worked under Mr. VRINTEN in Holland. The latter was at that time employed by the Passport Control Officer in the Hague, and as you know he is now working for the Dutch Security Service in London.

Koutrik is still in touch with Vrinten, but there appears to be no real bond of friendship. Koutrik has, as you know, from time to time reported when Vrinten has asked him any indiscreet questions.

J.S.

E.L.C.
14.8.41

E.I.C. (Mr. Wood)

London Region (Major Langdon)

With reference to our conversation yesterday, I attach KOUTRIK's life history. He is a useful man but requires careful handling, as otherwise he is apt to exceed his instructions and to resort to methods which would not meet with the approval of the Police.

He has done some very useful work, but under the re-organisation his services have become redundant. He is very anxious to work for S.O.2 if an opening can be found for him.

14th August, 1941.

Staff File

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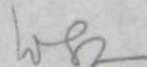
B.24/873

24th April, 1941.

Dear Baxter,

I am enclosing the identity papers handed
to Mr. Koutrik, for disposal.

Yours sincerely,


F.C.B. Wood

Major H.J. Baxter,
Box No. 500,
MANCHESTER.

WE/MLP

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Enclosed please you will find the temporary permits, (two) as well as certificate of Registration, at the time given to me at Preston by the chief Constable there, whilst I was working at Fleetwood. This according to instructions of Reg. officer Maj. Baxter of Manchester at that time, who wanted me to be a sailor at Fleetwood.

24-4-41.

1230.

passed on to Major Baxter.
1982. file into
Kings' papers.

B.24.h/Gen

22nd January, 1941.

Dear Baxter,

With reference to your letter E.N.82, dated 8th January, on the subject of Dutch fishermen at Fleetwood:

We are anxious that this should be thoroughly investigated along the lines you suggest. Accordingly we are sending down Mr. F.A. van KOUTRIK, a Dutchman with experience of this sort of enquiry, who will report at your office for instructions on Monday morning next (27th January). Could you please discuss the matter with the Chief Constable of Lancashire, as you suggest, and use Van KOUTRIK in the way that seems best to you.

Yours sincerely,

CRC/RCB.

F.C.B. Wood

Major H.J. Baxter,
Box No. 500,
MANCHESTER.

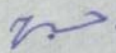
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B.24/730.

22nd January, 1941.

The Deputy Assistant Commissioner,
Special Branch,
New Scotland Yard.

With reference to your letter 79/40/17783 dated 13.12.40 and further report dated 17.1.41, Mr. van KOUTRIK is the holder of a Foreign Official's pass, which, by arrangement with the Home Secretary, ensures complete exemption from the Restrictions of the Aliens Order 1920 as subsequently amended.


F.C.B. Wood.

WS/MLP

20 Jan 1941

Aliens Registration Office

"C"

79/40/17783.

17th January

41.

(1).

To C2 Dept.

Re: Folkert Arie VAN-KOUTRIK, Dutch.
and wife, Hedwig Wilhelmine.

The above named aliens are registered at this Office under Serial Nos. E.Z.369459 and 369458, Registration Certificates Nos. 944230 and 944229, address 22 Powis Square, W.11.

The male alien was born on 5.8.1912 at Rotterdam and his wife on 25.8.1915 at Duisberg, she was formerly German changed to Dutch by marriage.

Both aliens are described as of no occupation and arrived in the United Kingdom on 12.5.1940 as War Refugees Nos. 19920 and 19923, landed on the usual condition.

According to the male alien's registration card he was previously employed by the British Passport Control Office at The Hague.

Referring to attached, no notification of change of address has been received at this Office.

A It is not clear what is meant by the last paragraph of M.I.5 letter dated 17.12.40 and I ask that the papers be referred to Special Branch to ascertain the correct position of these aliens and their present whereabouts.

No notification has been received here of any exemption granted.

17.1.41.

Adkinson
Chief Inspector.

*MIS**B 94/684 refers.**Can you assist please.*

Adkinson? Imp.
for info

513
no/1.

SPECIAL BRANCH
METROPOLITAN POLICE
20 JAN 1941

Rodney Denny, SIS.
27.12.54

FOLKERT ARIE VAN KOUTRIK.

Of this man's past more must be known at your
end than at mine.

Since his employment by this Office his duties
have been varied, though his greatest success has been
as an Agent.

In that capacity he has always been very
resourceful and I should say that he has always dis-
played a perfectly genuine faithfulness.

Unfortunately the advantages of his technique have
very often been dimmed by a rather unfortunate habit
of absolute forthrightness towards Officials when care-
ful tact would have been better diplomacy. In this way
he has frequently antagonised and offended Officials
who might otherwise have been extremely helpful.

W. G. Headman

B.24/394

17th December, 1940.

The Deputy Assistant Commissioner,
Special Branch,
New Scotland Yard.

With reference to your letter 79/40/17783 dated 13.12.40
I would inform you that Mr. Van KOUVERIK is known to us and is employed
by this Department.

Mr. van KOUVERIK has been exempted from the restrictions
under the Aliens Order by the Home Office and his wife has been in hospital
for some months.

WBB for General

WS/MP

Staff file

Special Branch,

New Scotland Yard,

LONDON, S.W.1.

13th December, 1940.

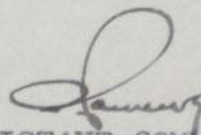
79/40/17783.

B24 14 DEC 1940

M.I.5.

I am sending you herewith copy of a Police report concerning Folhert van and Hedwig van KOUTRIK, Dutch subjects.

I should be glad to have your observations as to the bona fides of these persons at your earliest convenience.



DEPUTY ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Metropolitan Police.

No. 728.
(Thin Typing)

	STATION.	DIVISION
Reference to Papers	Hammersmith	"F" 19
		7th December 40

1.

To Div'l. Det. Inspector.

Folhert van KOUTRIK, Dutch, R.C.No.944230.
Hedwig van KOUTRIK, " " 944229.

The above-named aliens, who are husband and wife and war refugees, resided in furnished rooms at 22, Powis Square, Bayswater, W.2, from the 7th May until the 15th November 1940, when they left without filling in Form AR-E as to their future address.

Mrs. Home, housekeeper, at 22, Powis Square, reported the matter at Notting Hill Police Station, on the 4th December, and stated that Mr. van Koutrik told her that he could not give an address as he did not know where he was going, but that he expected to be back in January. He told Mrs. Home that he was connected with Scotland Yard, and that his friend Mr. Marling of 61, Kensington Gardens Square, would know his whereabouts.

Enquiries have been made at 61, Kensington Gardens Square, but Mr. Marling is not known there and none of the residents know Mr. or Mrs. van KOUTRIK.

On the 15th June 1940, Insp. White, M.S.C., saw Mr. and Mrs. van KOUTRIK at 22, Powis Square, and handed them their registration certificates and completed their A.R.O. cards. Mr. van KOUTRIK then stated that he had been employed at the British Passport Control Office at the Hague, and in this country in 'vetting' Dutch refugees. He was in possession of a Pass issued by the Field Security Police in Folkestone. Mrs. van KOUTRIK was of German birth but had lived in Holland for 16 years.

Up to the present these two aliens have not notified their change of address at A.R.O.1.

I respectfully ask that this report be forwarded to D.A.C., Special Branch, for information and as to whether anything is known of Mr. van KOUTRIK.

Alex Allan
Det. Insp.

8.12.40.

J. L. Brown
Div'l. Det. Insp. "F"

8.12.40.

A. Dyke G.
Superintendent, "F".
fr.

Very confidential.

H. Acworth.

Already two months ago a job has been offered to me with the Neth. Shipping and Trading Comm., by one of the directors I know personally. As I was busy at the time for our service, and as I have not done office-work since years I refused.

According to the facts, I have reported in the hereto attached report re: BRYNEN, (Van HOUTEN), I changed my mind regarding the refused job with the committee, and therefore I came to you with my proposal on the 23-11-40.

You asked me to make inquiries about the sort of work I will have to do and the salary I will receive.

- a. I am told now, that I will start in training for the so called crew-department, which dept. deals with every member of the crew of all the ships.
- b. I will receive for the beginning, as I am in training, a salary of £.25.--. per month.

The same salary, as you know, I have in our service. In the service however I also receive my expenses, this together made it possible for me to live on and to send my wife and children to the hospital and later out of town.

I will not receive my expenses in my new work. I will meet the director again on 2-12-40 evening.

27-11-40

(attached hereto a list of my regular expenses).

Regular Expenses.

For lodging for my wife and 3 children per week £ 3.10.-

Rent for my room per week - -.15.-

For Breakfast, lunch and dinner per day £-.6.- = - 2. 2.-

Travelling (if only in town) - - -.1.6 = - -.10.6

Total regular expenses per week £ 6.17.6

Further shoe-repair, cloths etc.

I can expect the bill from the hospital of my wife and children, which at first was said to be without expenses but later on I was informed that I had to pay for it as I have an income,

For the children £ 1.7.7. during ca 7 weeks £ 9.13.1.

- my wife & 4.-.-. - 7 - -28.-.-

Total I will have to pay in future £37.13.1

As the above mentioned list of regular expenses shows, per quarter of a year my regular expenses are more then

My salary in the same time £89.7.6.
-75.-.-.

OFFICE HOURS:

9 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

2 P.M. TO 5 P.M.

(SAT. 9 A.M. TO 12 NOON.)

TEL. 3201.

Bedfordshire County Council

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In reply please quote

D/L 8/4474

LOCAL TAXATION DEPARTMENT,

SHIRE HALL, BEDFORD.

18th November, 1940

Dear Sir,

Mr. Folkert-Arie van Koutrik has applied for a Driving Licence to this Authority and as he has no permanent address in Great Britain he has furnished your address in lieu.

I enclose an Authorisation signed by him which will enable you to disclose his address at any time to any person making a legitimate enquiry for it.

Yours faithfully,

C. Z. Lacey

Chief Local Taxation Officer

The Secretary,
Box 500,
Parliament B. O
London. S. W.

Bedfordshire County Council

Driving Licence Number.....*8/4474*.....

Vehicle Mark and Number

TO THE CHIEF LOCAL TAXATION OFFICER,
BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL,
SHIRE HALL,
BEDFORD.

I HEREBY AUTHORISE *Box 500*.....

Parliamentary BO ST
(Mr Wood)

whom I undertake to keep notified of my address in Great Britain,
to disclose such address at any time to any Police Officer or Local Taxation
Officer on demand.

(Signature).....*Edward*.....

Date.....*19/11/40*.....



B.24/602

12th November, 1940.

Dear Mr. Hunt,

I should be very grateful if you would let Mr. Van Koutrik have a copy of your file regarding Marconi-Rcho, and I regret that you have been caused some trouble in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

for Brigadier O.A. Barker.

A. J. Hunt, Esq.,
Chief Constable,
Borough Constabulary,
SOUTHEND-on-SEA.

WIP

*Van Koutrik's file
Marconi-Rcho file*

Urgent: (R. Wood)

I understand you have put Van Koutrik on the right lines.

Could you please see that the C.C. gets his official request for H.P.

D.G. White.

2/4

35
W. White,

B. 2

I think that
I should have the
attached letter. W.
Ancher is away, but
I know that she sent
you the previous letter
re Van Rantwijk.

F. H. Small

BR

6-11-40

SECRET

Telephone No. :
CAMBRIDGE 54237

BOX 500,

CAMBRIDGE.

5th November, 1940.

K.A./11.

Dear Mr Archer,

With reference to our telephone conversation on the activities of Van Koutric I saw the Chief Constable of Southend-on-Sea yesterday, and incidentally, left a message for Van Koutric that he was to return to Head Office.

Everything now is all right with the Chief Constable but he did at the time think that the procedure adopted by Van Koutric was a bit odd.

When the Detective Inspector told Van Koutric that he could not let him have the files without making any reference to the Chief Constable, Van Koutric said "whats it got to do with the Chief Constable."

Mr. Hunt is very kindly at the moment having his file of Marconi-Echo copied so that he will be able to supply this copy immediately he gets written request from Head Office.

I think that this request should be sent off to him at once from Head Office so would you be kind and get it done, and I must say that I feel it should be done immediately.

Yours sincerely,

W. H. H. H.

Mrs. K.M. Archer,
Box No. 500,
Oxford.

Hockley 20-9-40

As I have already reported in report no 1, Mr. Arnold at Hockley did not know that I was coming, according to the fact that his brother in London had not given a message to him, although this was promised.

According to this I had to look for a room for the night through which I came in contact with the local police, as it was immediately reported in this little village, that a stranger had arrived.

It is therefore that I was asked to come to ROCHFORD on the 18-9-40 to present myself at police-headquarters by inspector STANGER. This man, after having seen my papers, and knowing for what reason I was in Hockley, told me that he had to report to the C.I.D. which department always is dealing with cases like I had to do here. Although I told him that I had to do the job myself, and I did not want the help of any department or C.I.D. I had to meet inspector DRING and his assistant BURDEN from C.I.D. at Pitsey. They drove specially from Pitsey to Rochford to meet me.

After they had seen my papers again, insp. DRING told me that it was his duty to assist me in this case and his assistant BURDEN was told to help me if necessary.

On the 29th of September again I was asked to come to Rochford. There I met Maj. DIXON at about 8 p.m. This man specially was asked to come down from Cambridge by insp. DRING, to meet me at Rochford. Maj. DIXON, who is said to be an officer of M.I.5, seemed to be very angree about the fact that I was working in Hockley. He also inspected my papers and then he telephoned, as he told me, Mr. WOOD.

When he had finished his talk with Mr. WOOD, he said to me that it was the fould of head-quarters in London, that he was not told that I was coming to Hockley.

All this trouble is according to the fact, that Mr. ARNOLD at London had forgotten, what he promised to us, before I left to arrange matters with his brother in Hockley.

Hocley 17-940,

I arrived at Hocley yesterday and after having made some inquiries I found the house where Mr. Arnolds brother was living, Mr. Arnold however was not at home and it was not known when he would return. Although Mr. Arnold at London promised us to sent a message to his brother in Hocley, it appeared that this was not done, as there was nobody who expected me.

As I could not get back I had to look for a hotel for the nights. Hockley is a small village and there are only two small hotels, and both were full up. I got the address of some private-houses, but also there was no room free.

As I told already Hockley is a small vilage and after the three hours I had to walk around to find a room for the night, it seemed that one of the inhabitants reported to the police, that somebody was trying to get a place and when I went back to the station to go to the neighbour-village, Raleigh, to see if I could find something there, two policemen asked me to come to the police-headquarters. Here I met the police-constable WOODMAN, who asked for my papers. Then he asked me for what reason I came to Hockley. so I had to explain him the matter. He was very friendly and it appeared, that the local-police had already some informations about the man with the camera. Mr. WOODMAN gave me already all possible help in getting informations about this man.

I also learned that Mr. ARNOLD is always working in London and it happens that he is not at home for some days or longer. Tonights I will go to his house again and see if he is there now., so I will send you a report again tomorrow, when I have had a talk with Mr. A.

Bes ides it was not very pleasant to walk around in stormy-wether not being able to find a room for the night, although it was prommised that mr. A. would know that I was coming, and as there was an air-raid during nearly the whole night there were no buses or cars available to go somewhere else.

I hope you will see that it was not my fould that I came in contact with the police, but the fould of Mr. A. in London, not having done wha he prommised to do.

v, Koutrik.

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M.I.5/B.24/212

27th August, 1940.

Dear Webster,

With reference to our recent conversation on the telephone, I attach hereto Koutrik's Permit Card, which is no longer required.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Major W. H. A. Webster, C.I.E.,
Port of London Authority,
Trinity Square, E. C. 3.

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Secret.

In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

dated 10.6.40.

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My dear Wood,

Koutrik has informed me that his present
address is:

22, Powis Square,
Kensington, W.11. (Park.8936)

Yours sincerely,

*M. H. H. H. H.
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*H. H. H.
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F.C.B. Wood, Esq.,
M.I.5.

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I interviewed Koutrik today and he agreed to leave for Folkestone tomorrow, 26.5.40. I informed Mr. Wood that he would be reporting to Col. Adam.

Koutrik stated that on his previous journey he had experienced great difficulty in convincing the authorities at Folkestone and Wembley that he was genuine and in making them act upon his suggestions. I mentioned this to Mr. Wood who promised to take the matter up with Col. Adam.

25.5.40.

A. I don't think we want any authority except the S.C.O. to be convinced of his genuineness. He is a refugee and should behave like one.

Spoken Wood. Koutrik should be instructed as at "A" next time he goes.

J.F.C.
26.5.40.

G.3.D C & D. Captain Furnival Jones.

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Attached please see papers relating to van KOUTRIK,
perhaps you would extract a suitable reply to M.I.L.(b)
from them.

Would you kindly return all our papers as soon as
possible.

E.1a/HH
26.2.42.

for M.P. King
H. Hooper.